

## **Gender Policy (2022-2026) Second Draft**2nd Executive Board Informal Consultation

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**October 7th, 2021** 

## Today's Agenda

Background Process The Policy Next Steps



## Summary of the Gender Policy Evaluation Findings



**Gender Policy remains relevant**; the centrality of gender equality and women's empowerment for humanitarian, development and peace outcomes should be strengthened.



**Commitment to gender parity** led to positive change internally but overshadowed other aspects of WFP's approach to gender equality and women's empowerment.



**Greater emphasis** needed to ensure the policy objectives address the specific/different needs of women, girls, men and boys; with special consideration to intra-household dynamics affecting the use of WFP food assistance.



**Commitment to deliver gender results** at the country level relies too heavily on individual leaders.



**Greater emphasis** required to engage men and boys as partners and beneficiaries in advancing gender equality.



**Limited** / **inconsistent financial investment** weakened the integration of gender within WFP's culture and programming.



### Management Response: Gender Policy Evaluation



Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment Steering Group (GEWE SG) established and functional.



Commitment to revise corporate policy, develop new regional gender strategies and ensure gender objectives reflected in CSP's.



Implementation plan will define actions to strengthen the accountability framework, ensure adequate resources and a cadre of technical gender experts.



Comprehensive gender analysis recognized as an essential starting point for emergency and humanitarian response, CSP design, mid-term reviews and evaluations.



Twin-track strategy promoted for integrating gender into CSPs, including targeting and transformational approaches.



## An Informed Policy Development Process

#### **SCOPING**

- Preliminary literature review
- Initial key informant interviews
- Mapping gender policies/strategies
- Online survey

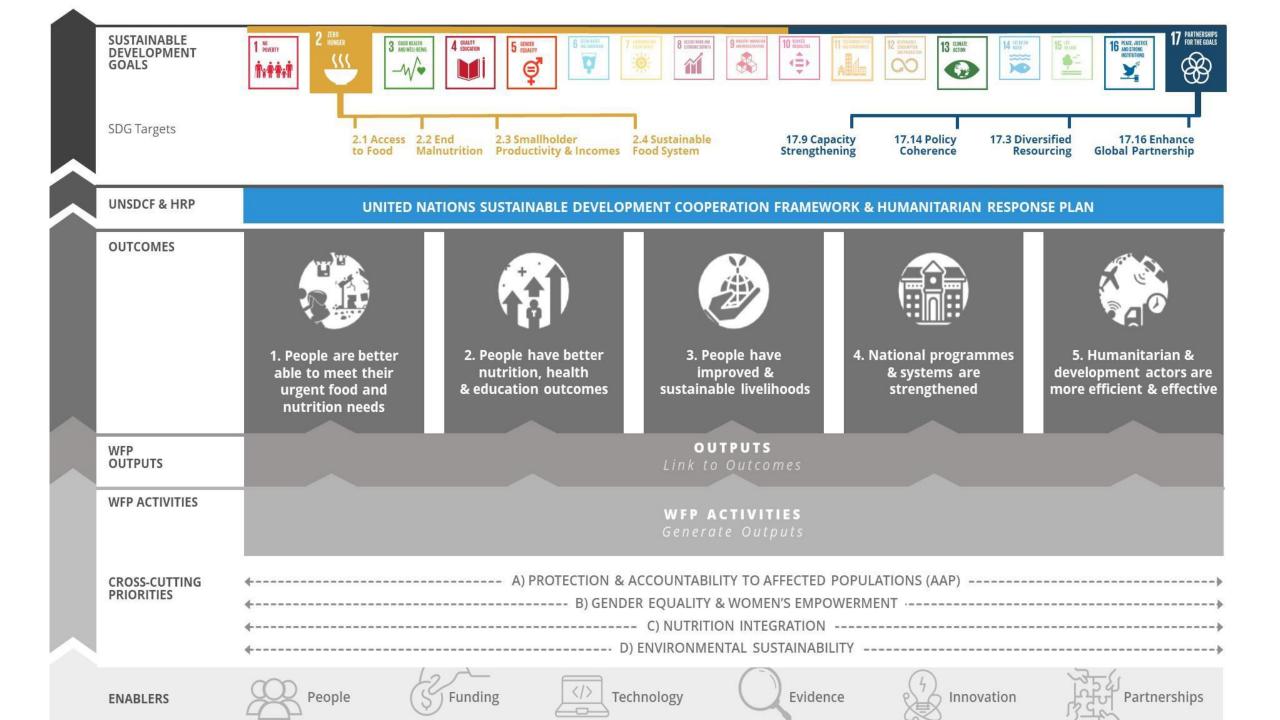
## **EVIDENCE GATHERING**

- In-depth literature review
- Key informant interviews
- Regional and country office consultations

#### **CONSULTING**

- Internal Reference Group (IRG)
- External Reference Group (ERG)
- GEWE Steering Group
- EB Informal Consultations





## Gender Policy Alignment with the Strategic Plan

The vision, goal and objectives of the WFP Gender Policy (2022-2026) have been developed to align with WFP's Strategic Plan for 2022-2026.

Specific alignment can be found around:

- The policy goal: gender equality is enhanced and women are empowered
- The humanitarian Development Peace nexus
- Leveraging WFP's reach and scale of operations to advance gender equality
- Prioritizing safety, dignity, meaningful access and doing no harm
- Gender results monitoring, reporting and evaluation with the Corporate Results Framework



## Structure of the 2022-2026 Gender Policy

#### **Vision**

 WFP envisions a world with zero hunger where everyone has equal opportunities, equal access to resources, and an equal voice in the decisions that shape their lives, including as individuals within households, communities and societies

#### Goal

Gender equality is enhanced and women are empowered

**Objectives** 

**Priorities** 

**Essential Enablers** 

**Theory of Change** 



## Three Gender Policy Objectives

Equitable access to and control over the means to achieving food security and nutrition

Progress in advancing gender equality by addressing the root causes of inequality

**Economic empowerment of women and girls** 



# Four gender policy priorities

1. Enhanced and Equitable Participation

4.
Transformative
Action on
Social Norms
and Behavior
Change

TOGETHER, they are the core of WFP's Gender Mainstreaming Approach

2. Strengthened Leadership and Decision-Making

3. Enhanced Protection to Ensure Safety, Dignity and Meaningful Access

**INDEPENDENTLY**, they are the key entry-points for gender targeted and transformative action

## Pause for Q&A on:

- > Vision
- > Goal
- Objectives
- > Priorities

## Seven Gender Policy Essential Enablers

Ensuring inclusive **data** collection, analysis and use

Consistent monitoring, reporting & evaluation of gender equality results

**Building** individual and institutional **capacity** to deliver gender equality results

Ensuring appropriate
human and financial
resources for gender
equality & women's
empowerment

Ensuring

accountability for
gender equality &
women's empowerment
at all levels of WFP

Building diverse partnerships for gender equality & women's empowerment

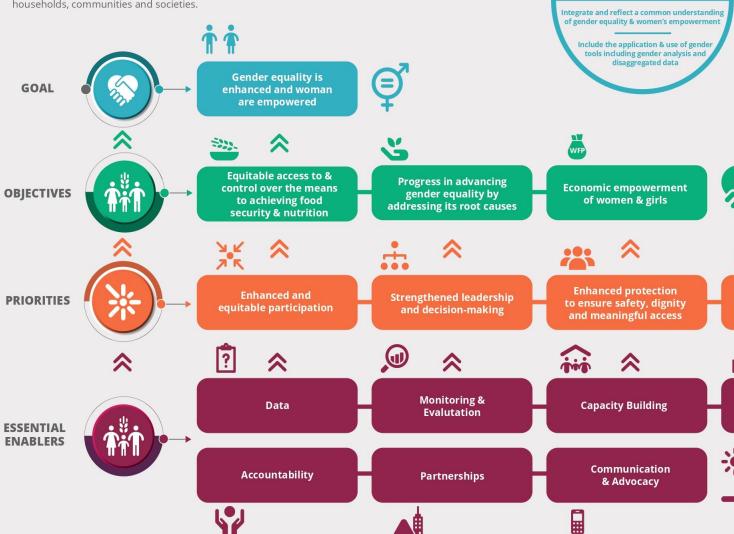
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# Theory of Change

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Where WFP

employees

& partners:

Understand that gender transformative

twin track approach to gender results

Are held to account for the highest stan-

dard of due diligence, ensuring all

interventions are equitable &

inclusiveto save lives and change lives

Transformative action

on social norms &

behaviour change

Human &

**Financial Resources** 

tions extend the reach & sustainability of the

Where WFP

systems

& processes:

## In Summary: WFP's New Gender Policy



Recognizes SDG 5 as a prerequisite for SDG 2 and SDG 17



Includes a comprehensive vision statement and goal



Presents complementary and interdependent objectives, priorities and essential enablers



Emphasizes transformational change including through new and diverse partnerships – international, national and local



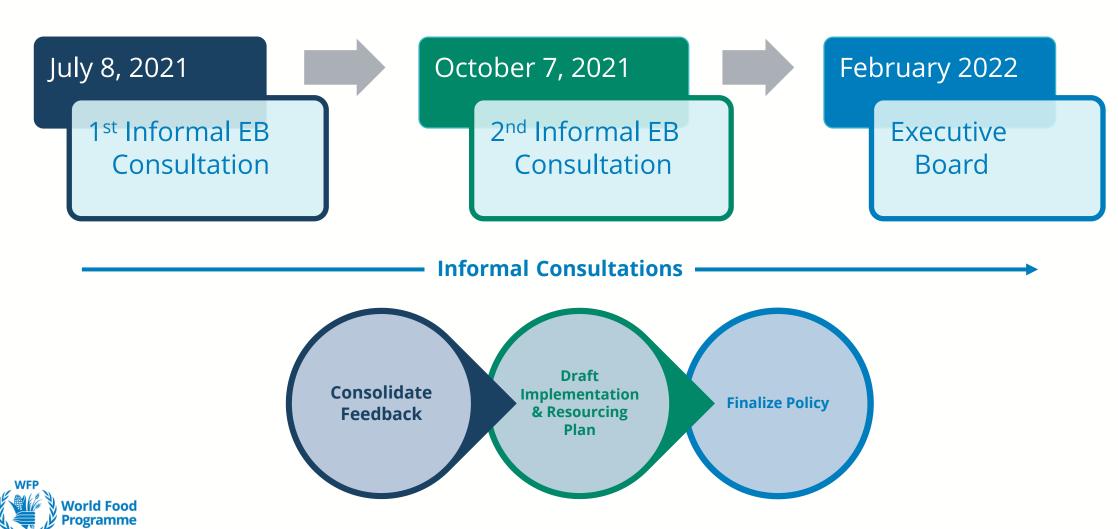
Embraces diversity and inclusion



Aligns with the new WFP Strategic Plan and other cross-cutting themes



## Next Steps



## Pause for Q&A on:

- > Essential Enablers
- > Other policy-related areas
- > Timeline

